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### A Vigorous Prosecution of the War.

We have at last learned the magnitude of the work we have to perform in putting down this rebellion. The conspirators showed great skill in precipitating the revolution, and they have so far consolidated their power as to command nearly the whole physical power of their section. Step by step they have got committed to their desperate cause, one after another in the South, until, wherever their power is, patriotism is awed into silence. They first seduced into their armies all that would volunteer, and have since levied almost in mass. Although not more than one third or fourth of the people of the Union, they have a force equal, if not superior, to ours. Great as were our preparations to put down the rebellion, they were inadequate.

We are not at war with a foreign nation where equal forces, or nearly equal ones, may be expected to settle the controversy. Our object is to enforce the laws upon every inch of American soil. It is not a trial of arms in which we are to test the courage of parties. Our plain, obvious duty is to enlist all the power of the Government at once, and put an end to the contest. If we had to-day a million soldiers, instead of three or four hundred thousand, we might have half a million of soldiers in Virginia, and the Confederate army would be captured with little effusion of blood. It is quite competent for the loyal people of this Government to overwhelm the Confederate forces and capture and disperse them without these bloody contests which result from equal forces and equal chances of victory. Half a million can enforce the execution of the laws against the resistance of the same number. The employment of no more army provokes and prolongs the contest. It is the duty of the Government to send into the field overwhelming numbers; stop enlisting no more till the Confederate States are covered with armies, and resistance is swept away. Humanity requires this course. The whole power of the country, nothing less. It is the apprehension that this contest will degenerate into one of savage cruelty. The way to prevent it is to end the contest by overwhelming power. There will be no temptation to exasperate an overwhelming, irresistible power, and provoke acts of cruelty.

The late disgusting acts of Congress, proposing confiscation, emancipation, and the employment of negroes, all resulted from conscious weakness. They were desperate expedients to supply the lack of power. If they had called for the whole power of the country the rebellion would have fallen without any of these desperate expedients, and it will never be put down with them. We want no new laws with hard penalties leading to barbarous results. We want soldiers, soldiers, soldiers in countless multitudes—legions, that there is no power in this conspiracy to resist.

If we had had at Bull Run half a million, instead of seventy-five thousand, the rebellion would have been crushed out, and thousands of lives would have been saved, and hundreds of millions of dollars would have been saved.

At Richmond, McClellan waited regiments, brigades, divisions of soldiers. For want of them thousands of men were slaughtered.

The past can't be recalled; nor can we condemn those in authority in that they did not foresee what would be necessary; but there can be hereafter no excuse for mistakes on the great point of an ample supply of force.

We are constantly annoyed and mortified to read that here and there our inferior forces have been overwhelmed by the enemy. There should be no excuse for this. The enemy should everywhere be outnumbered and overwhelmed. The loyal States have men, enough, and resources enough to do it, and it should be done. The Government sees that no draft can be made on the patriotism of the country that will not be answered.

This will be a vigorous and energetic prosecution of the war. The parade of laws on the statute-book and bulky proclamations are all idle. With such force no more laws are needed, no unconstitutional enactments or unconstitutional practices are wanted. Such power can afford to be generous as well as just. It will accomplish the end without a trespass on private rights or personal liberty. In its presence we can afford to support the dominion of law and order, and dispense with suspicious and watchfulness, which comparative weakness is compelled to resort to. Let us have this sort of vigor.

General Phelps won't consent to allow the negroes to work on trenches, and consequently, resigns. If we could feel sure that his resignation was accepted, as it ought to be, we would forgive him for all the fuss he has tried to kick up about the negro.

Vendell Phillips said he had been nineteen years trying to take nineteen States out of the Union. The utility of his efforts is shown in the fact that in the last nineteen years, ten or fifteen States have come into the Union.

We don't believe Breckinridge was so dirty that the waters of the Mississippi would clean him. On the contrary, we believe he was most efficiently cleaned out at Baton Rouge, and didn't need any more water.

Must Mr. Day on Drive. John C. Breckinridge moved his forces back from the Mississippi at Baton Rouge, "on account of the scarcity of water." The Pacific ocean would about suit his case.

The rebels hand-cuffed Gen. Price and others, taken at Cedar Mountain. Well, we must give them a sound, hearty hand-cuff, accompanied with kicks, back.

The Secessionists of Kentucky all wanted to divide the Union, and asserted all the time that they only wanted to "keep the piece."

J. C. Breckinridge is said to threaten New Orleans, but we are not alarmed. There is not water enough to suit him near that city.

We have heard of getting butter from goats' milk, but the last plan of making butter of a ram, we confess, seems unnatural.

An exchange says the rebels are considerably blown up by their recent successes. No, but their gunboats are.

Breckinridge says he moved away from Baton Rouge "on his own time." We surmise that was pretty fast time.

Breckinridge is going down the Mississippi. We expect he is already very much "down in the mouth."

Sweet are the uses of adversity, but life is generally preferred without the sweetening.

The Abolitionists are opposed to the war. One can't see why; none of them ever got it.

The last rebel ram, the Arkansas, has gone up, and the Confeds have no butter left.

All guns have butts, but some gunboats have very heavy ones.

Morgan's raid didn't prove to be much of a pay-raid.

Pope dug a canal and the rebels furnished the dams to it.

The rebel ram Arkansas went out to shear and got shorn.

### Letter from Hart County.

(Correspondence of the Louisville Democrat.)  
MUNFORDVILLE, Ky., Aug. 14.

Editors Democrat—Gentlemen: The attention of the military authorities should be called to the fact that, since it has become evident that all men who enjoy the protection of the Government of the United States must contribute to its support, and aid in putting down this rebellion, either by contributing of their means or by swelling the ranks of its army, numbers of men are daily leaving for the Confederate army. I am reliably informed that from the county of Barren daily stampedes (rather nightly) of five to twenty, for a rebel rendezvous, at a point beyond Scottsville, have been going on for a week or more; and that a few have also gone from Hart county, and, in fact from all the country south of Green river. I am further informed that, at some point near the State line, a new Kentucky regiment (being organized for the rebel army) with a special view, no doubt, to arm and equip themselves, steal sufficient numbers of horses to mount themselves, and dash into this section of the country and lay it waste, whilst we are stripped of men to defend us by the recent volunteering in the Federal army. Our people are turning out almost at a run, and whilst that is so, the powers that be should see to it that the traitors in our midst, who will not sustain the Government, should not organize themselves and overrun the homes of the patriots, who have been called by the authorities to other points. Whose business is it to stop this rebel stampeding? If it be the duty of provost marshals, let those in the districts immediately bordering on the State line, and the commander in Kentucky, let him be advised of the fact, and I am assured that prompt measures will be taken to stop it. If should, it can, it must be stopped.

Another splendid company left Hart today for Col. Jackson's Regiment. It was recruited by Capt. W. A. Smith and Lieutenant Green Self and Nathan R. Wheat. A better company of officers and men are not to be found, and they will reflect credit upon their country and their State. Recruiting still goes bravely on. Hart county will stand no draft.

### Letter from Bowling Green.

(Correspondence Louisville Democrat.)  
BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Aug. 15, '62.

Editors Democrat—Gentlemen: Since the departure of Colonel Boone's paroled men, our city has been very quiet. Yesterday Dr. Hines, of Nelson county, Surgeon of the Twenty-eighth Kentucky, and who was also paroled by Morgan, arrived with his son, a Captain in Morgan's command, under a flag of truce. Colonel Boone appears to think his papers will not all the case, and has him under guard, I suppose as a spy. Our town is full of grape vine news, some of which, I see, gets into the Cincinnati Gazette.

You can rely upon the fact that neither Morgan nor any rebels have been to Gallatin since Colonel Miller arrived there from Nashville.

A construction train left here yesterday morning with mechanics and tools, under Mr. Pink, to repair the road at Gallatin, and expected to have the line open in a few days, unless the tunnel was damaged.

We have news this morning from Scottsville that the guerrillas visit that town and pass through the county almost daily. Champ Ferguson's headquarters are but six hours' ride from that place. The cattle captured were intended for Morgan's men, who went to Hartsville, Tennessee, from Gallatin, to meet them and the horses he sent a squad of men there to steal. He got the horses, and Bruce the cattle.

It is stated that George Francis Train, the American, who has stirred up John Bull with his defense of the Union cause, was imprisoned in London on the 1st instant, to prevent his embarking for America, where he intended to raise volunteers.

Discharged—Mr. G. Thomas was tried before his Honor A. H. Robertson, Esq., City Judge, on Wednesday last for the killing of John Vance, alias Wiley, several weeks ago in Lexington, Ky. It was proved that the killing was done in self-defense.

A big dinner will be given on Wednesday, to the soldiers (fifteen hundred) in camp at Madison, Indiana, by the benevolent ladies of that place and vicinity. Bravo for the ladies.

The news from the South side is important. There are no reported movements of the enemy in force. The fifteen thousand Yankees who were said, on Saturday, to be marching on Petersburg, have not yet made their appearance before that city.

Yankee cavalry operators at Coggins' Point as a base, are committing daily depredations on the citizens of Prince George, and stealing their negroes. There seems, just now, no remedy for this evil. Since the break at Fox's on the night ago, our cavalry are no more heard of.

CHRONICLE HIS HARE.

It was confidently asserted on the street

### Very Late from Southern Papers.

(From the Richmond Examiner, 11th.)  
THE BATTLE OF CEDAR MOUNTAIN.

At the Meadow Bridge, five miles north of Richmond, between the hours of 4 and 6 p. m. on Saturday, a heavy and continuous cannonade was heard in the direction of Orange Courthouse. We have since learned from a reliable source that the time indicated an engagement between the advanced forces of Pope and Gen. Jackson was fought, resulting in a decided victory for us, at a point on the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, near Orange Courthouse. We have as yet been unable to learn the particulars.

P. S.—Since the above was written, we have received the glorious news of a complete victory over Pope's forces in which we have taken a number of his brigadier Generals and twenty-nine commissioned officers, all of whom arrived at Gordonsville last night handcuffed.

FROM JACKSON'S ARMY—OPERATIONS COMMENCED.

(From the Richmond Examiner, 11th.)  
The ball was opened on Saturday morning at Mitchell's Station, on the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, by a spirited engagement between a small portion of Jackson's army and a similar force of the enemy, which resulted in the capture of a number of prisoners, and the destruction of a number of the enemy's guns.

Among the prisoners were Brigadier General Price and some twenty-nine minor commissioned officers. The prisoners would learn about the engagement. The particulars of the engagement have not transpired. Intelligence from Gordonsville, on yesterday, informs us that fighting had commenced in earnest about that point at an early hour, and that Jackson was making the attack, advancing upon the enemy from three different bases. The arrangements for the conflict were considered admirable, and inspiring us with entire confidence as to the success of the Confederate army.

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corner, yesterday, that McClellan was evacuating his encampment on James river.

THE SOUTH SIDE.  
(From the Richmond Dispatch, 12th.)  
There is nothing new to be said regarding the operations of the enemy on the south side of James river, though the report that they were advancing towards Petersburg was revived on Saturday. Intelligence received from Drury's Bluff yesterday morning that everything was quiet below.

THE NEWS FROM THE SOUTH SIDE IS UNIMPORTANT. The enemy in Prince George has returned to the banks of the river, and it is said, intruding at Coggins' Point and Mayfield. Small bodies of cavalry daily make their appearance at a point a mile or two from the river, but again retire without attempting any aggressive movement. The enemy are probably employed looking after their own pickets.

During Friday, as we learn from the Petersburg Express, a number of idle rumors agitated the Cockade City. One report was that the enemy in Prince George had been attacked and routed by our forces, and compelled to flee to the cover of his gunboats. Another story was about the effect that an admirable scheme for entrapping the whole Yankee force on Thursday had only failed through the perfidy of a negro. But the grand sensation of the day was caused by the announcement, about six p. m., that the enemy, 15,000 strong, had debarked at Tar river, and were marching on Petersburg.

FEDERAL GUNBOATS AT WEST POINT.  
(From the Dispatch, Aug. 12.)  
We learn that three Federal gunboats came up York river to West Point on Sunday morning last, and, after remaining about a week, they have just departed. On the same day the York river gunboats, under the command of Commodore Corcoran, arrived at Corcoran's farm, in King and Queen counties. The object of these movements is a matter of conjecture, though it is possible that troops are passing by that route from McClellan's army to the Rappahannock.

THE REPORT WAS CURRENT, YESTERDAY, THAT McClellan's army had evacuated Berkeley and gone down the river in transports. We think it not improbable that the report is true.

DESTRUCTION OF THE ARKANSAS.  
(From the Richmond Dispatch, August 12.)  
No little sensation was yesterday created by the announcement on the streets that the Navy Department had received intelligence of the destruction of the Confederate ram "Arkansas" by the Union fleet.

It seems that she left Vicksburg to co-operate with the land force under General Breckinridge in the attack on Baton Rouge. When she was five miles of the latter place, she was unfortunately grounded, and all efforts to get her off were unavailing. But two alternatives were left—to blow her up, or suffer her to be captured by the Federal forces. The former was resorted to, and this proud achievement of naval architecture is now a wreck in the Mississippi river.

P. S.—Official dispatches have been received from the Navy Department confirming the disaster. The Arkansas was destroyed last Monday, co-operating in the attack on Baton Rouge. After passing Bayou Sara her machinery became deranged, or disabled. While engaged in repairing, she was captured by the Federal forces. Gallant resistance was made, but she was abandoned and blown up. The officers and crew reached shore in safety. Lieutenant Stevens, of South Carolina, Commander Brown, of Arkansas, Commodore Brown being detailed to Vicksburg, not having recovered from his wounds.

SOME DAYS AGO, says the Mason Telegraph, the citizens of Lee county held a public meeting in reference to the negro impressment. The meeting was presided over by Mr. D. M. Irvin, to correspond with W. L. G. Irvin, by telegraph, and ascertain if the impressment had been authorized and required by the Secretary of War. If it had, they would resist, like good citizens, to acquiesce in the policy of the Government. It terminated not to surrender their negroes. In pursuance of his mission, Mr. Irvin came to Meade, and the correspondence ensued which is published below.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR, RICHMOND, VA.:  
To the Secretary of War, Richmond, Va.:  
Brigadier General Mercer has issued an order impressing two hundred negroes, male slaves throughout the State. Is that order authorized by the Department? If so, we acquiesce. Otherwise we resist.

C. M. IRVIN.  
For the citizens of Lee county, Va.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR, RICHMOND, VA.:  
The citizens of Lee county, Va., have written to me in reference to the negro impressment. I have no authority to make impressment be asked for or granted.

THE MURDER OF GEN. CRAWFORD.  
(From the Register.)  
The Knoxville Register, of the 7th inst., gives but few additional particulars in regard to the murder of Gen. Wm. B. Crawford, who was killed on the 6th inst. near Knoxville. His servants report that they saw him struggling with some one in the road, but before they could reach him life was extinct. They immediately called on the nearest police, and on the receipt of their report, a party of citizens mounted horse and started out to scour the country in search of the assassin.

The general was in Knoxville on the morning of the 6th inst., and interchanged greetings with numerous friends. General Crawford was a distinguished soldier, having served through the Mexican campaign. He was one of the earliest to embrace the cause of the South, and on the breaking out of the rebellion, he was appointed by Gov. Harris a Brigadier General in the State service, and commanded the forces rendezvoused at Knoxville until they were turned over to the Confederate Government, when he retired to private life.

FROM EAST TENNESSEE.  
The reported "heavy bagging" in East Tennessee has divided down to rather a small affair, comparatively. The latest accounts are published under the telegraphic head. The Knoxville Register of the 8th contains the following official dispatch:

NEAR TAZEWELL, Aug. 6. O'Leary P. M. Major H. L. Clay, A. G. I. P. N. After the services of General Leadbetter. After a gallant engagement of four hours full retreat to the enemy, and they are in full retreat to their stronghold.

C. L. STREVENSON, Brig. Gen.

Mrs. Faulkner, wife of Hon. Charles J. Faulkner, about whom a paragraph has been given the rounds of the papers, to the effect that she was a secessionist, is said to be loyal. A person signing himself "An Unionist" has written a note to the editor of the Washington Star denying all such rumors, and declaring that Mrs. F. is living at her old home, where she was born and reared, interfering with no one, expressing her attachment, when speaking of the subject, to the Union and the old flag, and whenever an opportunity offers, nursing the wounded and sick Union soldiers with the kindness of a sister, and sharing her comforts with the sick. The report that Belle Boyd is a relation of Mrs. Faulkner is also emphatically denied.

PROVOST-MARSHAL—Reuben Gentry, Esq., has been appointed Provost Marshal for Boyle county, and has entered upon the discharge of his duties.

### TELEGRAPHIC.

From Yesterday's Evening News.

Rebel Depredations in Tennessee.

Dispersion of Poindexter's Guerrillas.

Wallace and Dumont Temporarily in Command of the Indiana Troops.

Arrival of Colonel Corcoran and Others at Washington.

Capture of the Steamer "Columbia."

Sunday Night's Dispatches.

The Red Wolf bridge, on the Kentucky and Edgemoor railroad, was destroyed to-day, and the track is reported torn up for a considerable distance this side of Tullahoma.

Two Federal couriers were captured by guerrillas, nine miles south of the city, last night, and their dispatches and horses were taken from them. They were then released. They report a large force, under Stearns, north of Murfreesboro.

Col. Miller made an armed reconnaissance towards Gallatin, on Friday, and ascertained that Morgan had decamped in the direction of Hartsville.

WASHINGTON, August 17.  
The Commissioners of Internal Revenue have prepared a form of book to be kept by distillers and brewers, which will be furnished to parties on application.

Col. Bowman and Major Volger arrived this morning, accompanied by Adjutant General Thomas.

Col. Corcoran, in response to a call, expressed his satisfaction that this wicked rebellion should be speedily crushed. He was ready to take any position to serve his country. At another time he would take an opportunity to say a few words to his fellow-citizens.







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